



BEAMING WITH JOY . . . Ron Veres receives trophy at Gardena Knights of Columbus Sports night. Pretty Miss Judy DeBord Queen of the affair, kisses the outstanding athlete from El Camino College. (Herald Photo)

Tasty Dinner for Football Players

Ronnie Veres, sparkling El Camino quarterback, was one of five honored at the annual Knights of Columbus dinner, held in the Knights of Columbus hall in Gardena, Tuesday evening.

Other football players to receive awards were: Gary McGuire, L. A. Harbor Junior College; Robert Hayde, Compton College; Kurt Altenberg, Serra High school, and Charles Peterson, Gardena High school.

Big Auto Show With Fancy Cars

Mickey Thompson disclosed the most impressive list of cars and boats ever to be assembled in the Los Angeles area today when he announced the entries in his National Auto and Boat Speed Show, January 11 through 15 at the Shrine Auditorium. The show will bring world champions from all over the United States to show auto and boat enthusiasts a close-up of the machines they've been reading for the last year. Along with Mickey's Challenger I and Assault I, both of which hold many world records, will be such great racing cars as National big car champion A. J. Foyt's "Indy" car; TV star Tommy Ivo's twin Buick dragster (over 180 on gasoline); Bill Burke's world record streamliner, and Chuck Jones' \$10,000 all magnesium dragster.

"Red" Wilson, holder of 3 world records with his "Woodpecker" hydro and Ronnie Hill's outboard runabout, holder of the world kilo record will be among the many boats also at the show. Dean Jeffries' beautiful customized Porsche Carrera Spyder, which has won over 30 trophies in the last eight months and some of Los Angeles' most famous classic cars will also be on hand.

Rec. Dept. Sets Tryouts For Basketball

Sign-ups for boys' basketball leagues will be conducted Saturday at Torrance, North and South High Schools' gymnasiums, according to the Torrance Recreation Department. Registrations for Skyline, Rocky Mountain and Ivy Leagues play are scheduled from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Skyline is for fifth and sixth graders, Rocky Mountain is for seventh and eighth graders while Ivy is for fourth graders and below. Team assignment and playing schedules will be announced following the casaba registration.

Prep Basketball

Varsity basketball schedules were announced by Torrance, North, South and Bishop Montgomery high schools. Included in the action, North and South will meet twice for city-wide action. There are three leagues also, the Bay, Pioneer, and Camino Real League.

Torrance	South High
Jan. 4—El Segundo	Jan. 6—Morningside
Jan. 6—Beverly Hills	Jan. 11—Inglewood
Jan. 10—Lawndale	Jan. 13—Redondo
Jan. 17—Lennox	Jan. 18—Leuzinger
Jan. 20—Aviation	Jan. 20—Mira Costa
Jan. 24—Serra	Jan. 27—Hawthorne
Jan. 31—Culver City	Feb. 1—North High
Feb. 3—El Segundo	Feb. 3—Morningside
Feb. 7—Beverly Hills	Feb. 8—Inglewood
Feb. 10—Lawndale	Feb. 10—Redondo
Feb. 17—Lennox	Feb. 15—Leuzinger
Feb. 21—Aviation	Feb. 17—Mira Costa
Feb. 24—Culver City	Feb. 21—Hawthorne
	Feb. 24—North High
*Denotes away game.	*Denotes away game.

Montgomery	North High
Jan. 10—Mary Star	Jan. 6—Mira Costa
Jan. 13—St. John Vianney	Jan. 11—Morningside
Jan. 17—Alemany	Jan. 13—Inglewood
Jan. 20—St. Monica	Jan. 18—Hawthorne
Jan. 24—Brethren	Jan. 20—Redondo
Feb. 1—St. Bernard	Jan. 27—Leuzinger
Feb. 3—Mary Star	Feb. 1—South
Feb. 7—St. John Vianney	Feb. 3—Mira Costa
Feb. 10—Alemany	Feb. 8—Morningside
Feb. 14—St. Monica	Feb. 19—Inglewood
Feb. 17—St. Bernard	Feb. 15—Hawthorne
	Feb. 17—Redondo
*Denotes away game.	Feb. 21—Leuzinger
	Feb. 24—South
	*Denotes away game.

OFF AND RUNNING by John I. Day

Backward in Name Only



This is the "off-season" for most race tracks. The horses are wintering, if not vacationing, in Florida, California, and Louisiana. But there is no off-season for Ak-Sar-Ben at Omaha, Nebraska. The only backward thing about Ak-Sar-Ben is the spelling of its name.

Under the dynamic general managership of J. J. "Jake" Isaacson, one-time newsboy who quit a job as sports editor of the Omaha Daily News to become impresario for the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben, Omaha's 75-year-old civic organization, there is always something doing at Ak-Sar-Ben. Founded in 1885 "for public service and not for profit," Ak-Sar-Ben provides more than 200 annual college scholarships, thousands of dollars in premiums for FFA and 4-H exhibits at county fairs, sponsors an annual Live Stock Show and the world's largest 4-H Baby Reef snow, provides post graduate courses for 4-H leaders, County Agents and FFA instructors. For its 20,000 members, it brings to Omaha outstanding symphony orchestras and performing artists, rodeos, ice shows, and entertainers such as Bob Hope, Milton Berle, Eddie Cantor, Danny Kaye, Jimmy Durante, and others. Ak-Sar-Ben's annual 30-day racing meeting is but a part of the activity, albeit an important part; all proceeds of the racing go into A-Sar-Ben's year-round program of philanthropy, education and cultural entertainment.

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